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LIFT ME UP.

I am in a valley of gloom
Still darker the shadows grow,
Lift me up where the bright flowers bloom
Where the light winds softly blow.

I am restless, ay, day and night
All vainly I wager prayer.
Take me where I shall find the light.
Where it steadily burns and glows

I am tired of visions of bliss,
When I may not call the price,
Oh, must lift me out of this,
Up where the light can shine.

I am restless with longing and unrest,
Longings I never outrest,
Lift me up where fresh fountains burst,
Where I can drink and forget.

Forget the dark valleys of gloom,
Forget the dim shadows of night;
Up where the bright flowers bloom,
The flowers that grow in the light.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Caught on The Fly;

OR, BASE BALL IN PETTICOATS

"It would be the rarest of fun," said the black eyes of Kitty Lawrence danced with delight at the thought which was uppermost in her mind.

"What mischief are you brewing now?" questioned her more sedate and precise sister, dropping the elaborate piece of embroidery designed in the distant future to cover the piano at home, and which malicious gossips suggested might possibly be finished by the millenium.

"Oh, I was thinking of a game of base ball of our playing one."

"Yes" and the face of Maud was severely enlarged, and the proud lip was curled with the most ultra ladylike disgust.

"Why not?" the irrepressible Kitty continued regardless of the pronunciamento of her more distinguished sister. "Girls do almost everything nowadays, swim, fish, row, play billiards and all that sort of thing, and why shouldn't they play ball?"

"But the gentlemen?"

"The boys? They are off for the day good riddance to them, gone away with their guns to see who can kill or maim the most harmless pigeons, and we'll have the coast clear to ourselves, with never an occupied pair of pants or a miserable cigar around."

"But there are neighbors, visitors from the city and plenty to look on and criticise. You never do think of the proprieties Kittie."

"Don't I?" with a most provoking parsing up of the mouth. "Well, my aristocratic sister always does, and that is sufficient for the entire family. But don't worry your heart about my Bohemian ways. I don't intend to go strumming around dressed up in a base ball suit in broad daylight—not much, if I know myself."

"What horrid slang!"

"Some folks might call it so, but it is the sauce piquant to the dull conversation of "refined society," all the same.—There, there don't go off in convulsions and I will condescend to explain to the high contracting parties. That's an regle, isn't it? As I said the boys—"

"The young gentlemen."

"That's an open question. Some of them are young enough, and particularly green and fresh."

"Offious slang again!"

"But remarkably expressive, sis."

"I do really wish you would call me Maud."

"And bid you come into the garden? At least that's what Will Reyborne did last night, and—"

"You are incorrigible, Kate."

"Kate! Humph. Oh, how divinely we blush, and how our little heart goes pitty-pat. But I'll never tell, and the rustic seat by the lake can't, and the willows won't whisper, and the moon—that reminds me it is full and it will be as light as day to-night, and a glorious time for a game of ball. I'll run and see the rest of the girls and get the thing up."

"You can't be in earnest?"

"Just as much as I shall be some day about dying. Dear sis, I can get all the uniforms and the bats, and the balls and other things, and we'll have a high old time."

"Are you mad enough to imagine I am going to take part in such a disgraceful proceeding?"

"Oh, we'll make umpire, scorer, bottle-holder or something of you that can't in anyway injure your dignity," and Kate ran away laughing merrily and gayly.

The quiet country place had of late become quite a fashionable resort, and among the other innovations, two base ball clubs had been established and considerable proficiency gained. The uniforms were new and brilliant, had captivated the fancy of the girls, and all they needed was a leading spirit of mischief and a reasonable amount of privacy to tempt them to try their skill upon the diamond field.

The leader soon made her appearance in Kittie Lawrence, and the absence of the boys gave the girls an opportunity for the utmost freedom of their actions, and the utmost original and antique "muffing."

A bright and pretty girl was Kittie, with a glib tongue, somewhat given to slang, strong magnetic powers of persuasion, independent in action, fearless of criticism, and she soon had the other girls enlisted and "scouting round" in quest of uniforms.

"We'll never have another such chance" she urged against objections. The boys won't be home until late, and before that we'll have the traps all put away and be in our little beds, sleeping like little kittens after having filled their—gracious! I came near making such a speech—with stolen cream."

"But to think of putting on men's clothing" exclaimed one, turning up her nose.

"Phaw! You'll be fast enough to wear the—them after you are married, answered Kittie.

"And if we should be caught," suggested one, with cheeks as scarlet as the poppies in her belt.

"Oh, I'd be on the fly if they catch me," laughed Kittie, "and I say, girls, we'll have some one upon the lookout, and if anything masculine dares to come near, give a signal and then away we'll scamper."

By degrees Kittie overcame all objections and even gave a color of propriety to the proceedings upon the ground that they were something of the same "log gery" at school and base ball was simply a branch of calisthenics, supplementing the brilliant idea with the information that the word came from the two Greek ones meaning 'beautiful' and 'strength,' and these were just the things they desired.

The matter settled, a busy day followed, with the mysterious proceedings sadly puzzling the staid and sober denizens of Ashton. Laughter and shouting rang from scores of private rooms when the trying on and pinning up and 'reffing in' as Kittie called it of garments was going on, for the masculine proportions of the uniform swallowed up the slight feminine figures, and the stockings had to be stuffed or limbs padded, bifurcated extensions tucked and belts shortened, and taste demanded a bit of bright ribbon here and there. But the shoes were entirely hopeless could not be made to fit the little feet, and their own slippers had to be substituted. Then came the arrangement of long silky hair, "man fashion" as near as was practicable, and Kittie would have decorated every rosy lip with a cork moustache of brigand proportions had not the girls rebelled. That was carrying the war into Africa altogether too far.

At last everything was arranged to the satisfaction of Kittie, and very attractive and picturesque they looked, though as Kittie privately remarked, 'they were about as awkward as a government mules and didn't know what to with their limbs, even though some did have pretty and plump ones,' and she glanced down complacently at her own, and then a trifle maliciously at those upon which, despite padding, the covering hung in wrinkles and folds, clearly betraying the lack of well rounded flesh, and how much more graceful their movements would have been if hidden beneath flowing drapery.

Impatiently they all waited for the going down of the sun, trying in vain to become accustomed to the strange garments, practicing positions, joking, laughing, singing, blushing, and having a jovial time, with Kittie as usual leading the racket and making 'such speeches' as to shock her sister's sense of propriety.

With the first of evening shadows they stole out the wood fringed ball ground and prepared for the contest. And a rare group they made, clad in the blue and scarlet uniforms, with their abundant hair tucked away beneath jaunty little caps, their slender waists girdled closely, their daintily slippered feet looking even more petite than usual, their cheeks more rosy and their eyes brighter and more dancing with mischief.

But it took quite a little time to settle preliminaries, and it would have been the rarest of fun for the Chicagos or the Bostons to have peeped at them and seen how girls did such things, and their idea of the principles governing the game. Of course all disputes were settled by Kittie in her pert and autocratic fashion, and her word was considered final.

"I should smile," she said, saucily, when her bat was questioned, "and I should remark that what I don't know about base ball isn't worth knowing. Now the first thing to be done is to spit on the bat and—"

"Kittie, I am ashamed of you!" burst out her sister.

"Oh, I'm all lovely. I'm a boy now, and expect I shall swear next. Boys always do you know. And, pshaw! you are nothing but a girl. Yes, we have got to spit on the bat, and toss up for the first inning, and choose an umpire and a scorer, and all such things. Bill Southerland, you be captain of the Red Stocking and I will of the Blue, and the way we will skunk—"

"Oh, horrible Kittie!"

"Well, treat your round O's just like your mouth, if you like it better. There! wet side up for me and dry for you. Good! It's our first at the bat, and I'll show you a home run."

The game commenced, and never in the history of it was such a one played. Hits were the exception, and when a ball chanced to be knocked a few feet there was a riot of exclamations and clapping of hands, and rushing hither and thither and shouting, and all giving directions at the same time. And such catching! Once in a hundred times the ball was stopped by accidentally hitting the soft hands and white fingers, hurting them and being told by screams. And the running! That was the climax and beyond description. Girls who glided gracefully over parlor or ball-room floor, and where the poetry of motion in waltz and polka, made "such holy shows of themselves," as Kittie Lawrence declared, that the rest forgot their duties and held their sides for laughter. Then they became spunky, and had to be petted and coaxed back to good humor before the game could proceed, and declared Kittie couldn't do it any better. Couldn't she! She'd show them. She did in catching by using a very much beruffled apron, and in running took such long steps that her sister declared it was disgraceful. But she didn't care, not she, and kept making things lively until a chance ball struck her in the vicinity of the digestive organs, and doubled her up screaming on the ground.

"You did that on purpose, you mean thing you. Sue Martin," she exclaimed as soon as she could regain her breath, 'and I'll be even with you, see if I don't."

In vain were protests and tears for a long time, and the game very near broke up in a row. But at last Maud poured oil on the troubled waters and all went peacefully again, and, having gotten some what the hang of the thing, the semblance of a game followed.

"Now girls," said Kittie, 'for a last inning. It must be getting late, and the boys may take it into their heads to come back. Pitch me a fair ball, Lulu, and I'll show you a home run. Not so high. I can't hit the moon. Not so low. I don't want to pare my corns with this club. That kind will answer. Now look out, girls, for merciful father, the boys, and"

The sentence was never finished, for Kittie dropped the bat, and all screamed and ran and tumbled down, and tried to make the uniform cover their exposed limbs, and begged the men not to look and produced a feminine flutter, and turned painfully crimson, and some fainted and had to be carried home, and prayed the earth to open and swallow them all but Kattie. She was determined in the game, vowed she didn't care a snap of her little finger, and she had done nothing to be ashamed of (perhaps being aware her plump figure was shown off to advantage).

Yet she did blush and feel uncomfortable when her eyes chanced to rest on one particular gentleman who appeared late upon the scene, and in her innocent heart wished him at the bottom of the Red Sea. And also suddenly appeared to have a realizing sense that the portion of her anatomy usually covered by skirts were exposed, and like the rest didn't know what to do with them the brilliantly bared limbs.

"I can't stand the racket," she exclaimed meptally, 'and will have to run for it. To think of my being caught by him in such a rig."

She acted upon the idea and darted into the bushes. But immediately her screams rang out like a trumpet call and the gentleman rushed to her side.

"What is it, Kittie dear?" he questioned anxiously, as he slipped his arm around the sadly terrified and half-fainting girl and supported her.

"A snake! A snake! Oh, mercy I shall die."

"Where? Tell me where, quick."

"Coiled around my——. Oh! Oh! Oh!"

"It is nothing but a grapevine," he answered, as he untwined it from around the highly colored hose; nothing to harm you, Kittie."

"Oh! I'm so glad. But go away and leave me to get home and into—into my own—my own dresses," she finished sobbing.

"I shall do nothing of the kind," he answered firmly.

"But, Charley, I'm so ashamed of myself that"

"You will need my assistance to make a home run," he answered, laughing at her discomfiture.

Somehow it took quite a long time for them to do it, and when at last Kittie made her debut among the other girls upon the broad veranda, clothed in the most bewitching attire of her sex, her face was radiant with blushes and her eyes dancing with almost phosphorescent light, and Charley Rutherford was standing alone and apparently absorbed in the play of the moonlight upon the lake, she laid her hand timidly in his and whispered softly:

"Yes, Charley, it shall be as you wish, and our future life one long inning."

"And, Kittie, will you promise me never again to wear—"

"Hush, I should smile if any one ever saw me play base ball again without my skirts on! quit pets" and she ran away bidding him with her eyes to follow to where young love's dream could be told unwatched and unheard.

Making Cider Vinegar.

As farmers will be engaged for some time in making cider—in part for vinegar—it is well to remember that the best vinegar is made from the purest juice. Mustard seed, sulphate of lime, and other such ingredients used for stopping fermentation, injure the article. Cider made late in the autumn, says the *Rural New Yorker*, from fruit rich in juices, is much better than that from windfalls and early gathered fruit, as cider is better for the same reasons. Vinegar may be made from crushed apples or from pomace after the cider is pressed out, as is often done from the pomace of grapes and of other fruits. The apples are ground and put into shallow bolders, where they are left to ferment for a couple of days, then pressed, and the juice put directly into old vinegar casks containing mother of vinegar. If the weather is cool the casks are placed where they will be kept warm, and in a few months the vinegar may be drawn off into clean vessels. The chief auxiliary to produce vinegar quickly is exposing the fluid to the air at a mild temperature; but for the best cider vinegar, where haste is not necessary, it is better to extract and barrel the cider, allowing it to ferment as in the best process of cider-making, and then using the cider as desired. Most cider vinegar, and the best, is made by leaving the bung open and allowing the change to take place gradually, which will be a longer or shorter time, as the temperature is warmer or cooler. Numerous methods are in practice by large manufacturers, who purchase large quantities of cider and expose it to the air in large vats in various. One process is to allow the cider to run slowly over beech shavings; another allows it to trickle over boards or shelves; while still another process is force bubbles of air through the liquor continuously. A French method consists in scalding the barrels with water, and then pouring boiling vinegar into them and rolling them until the barrels are thoroughly saturated, when the barrels are filled about one-third full of cider vinegar and some two gallons of cider poured in each seventh or eighth day, until the casks are two-thirds full. In two weeks from the time of adding the last two gallons, one-half is drawn off and the process is repeated. The casks are kept as near a temperature of eighty degrees as possible. This last process gives farmers a hint for producing cider as may be desired, by keeping the barrel in a warm place and adding cider to the vinegar barrel or by putting a quantity of sharp vinegar into the cider. The cores and parings left from drying apples may be used as above described, or they may be placed in jars or tubs, and warm water poured over them and set in the sun or other warm place for eight or ten days, and the juice added to the vinegar barrel or used with the addition of cider. The principle of vinegar making is fermentation, and this comes from the presence of sugar and may be hastened by yeast or similar aids; but the best agent to produce fermentation is strong old vinegar. The richer the juice in saccharine matter, the stronger the vinegar; and the warmer the temperature and the more the vinegar is exposed to air, the more rapid the process.

Mutilated Currency.

"I can't take that nickel," said a horse-car conductor to a man who got in at the City Hall.

"Vot vas de matter mit dot goin?" asked the passenger blandly.

"It's no good. It's got a hole in it," replied the conductor, gruffly.

"Ish dot so?" Off you please you show me dot hole."

"Look at it we can't take any such money as that."

"Excuse me," smiled the passenger, and he handed over a dime.

"That's worse yet," growled the conductor.

"Vos dot dime full of holes too?" asked the passenger, looking up innocently.

"Here is a whole side chipped out. We ain't allowed to take mutilated money," and the conductor handed it back.

"So?" inquired the passenger. "Haf you got changes for heluf a tollar?" and he passed over another coin.

"What's this?" asked the conductor, contemptously. "It's as bad as a dime. There ain't a scratch on it to show whether it's an overcoat button or a skating rink. Haven't you got any money?"

"Vell I should make smile!" said the passenger, good humoredly. "Here is fife tollar, and you can baste it together ven you get some leisures. Haf you got changes off dot fife tollars," and he handed over a bill torn in four or eight pieces.

"I don't want no more fooling," said the conductor. "If you can't pay your fare, get off."

"Vell, don'd make so many droubles. I vill bay you," and he pulled out a Mexican quarter. "Gif me bennies," he suggested.

"Look here are you going to pay your fare or not?"

"Of course. May be you vas vating for dot moneys," and he took back his quarter and substituted an English sixpence.

"Now get off this car!" roared the conductor.

"Vere vas dese cars got by?" asked the passenger, rising to obey.

"Fulton Ferry!" said the conductor.

"Den I may as vell go owit. You dell dem gompanies do some dimes dey make more money as oder times off dey took voteffer dey got instead of going in it out nodings, don'd it?"

And the smiling passenger, having ridden to the end of the line, crossed the ferry, observing to himself: "Dot vas petter off I safe such moneys, and some dimes I go owit to east Nyarick und it don'd cost me no more as noddings at all.—*Brooklyn Eagle.*

What Brother Gardner Saw on Election Day.

"I would like to spoke a few words to Telescope Perkins, if he am in de hall to-night," said the President as the meeting opened. The brother wiped off his mouth and advanced to the platform, and Brother Gardner continued:

"Brudder Perkins, I met you at eight in the evenin' on 'leckshun night."

"Yes, sah."

"You war what the white folks call slewed."

"I'se mighty sorry, sah."

"You were full of glory. You felt dat you had saved de kentry. Your clothes war' all mud. Your breaf smelt of skunks, an' you had to jump up an' down an' whoop to keep from bustin yer biler."

"Lots o' white folks was doin' de same, sah."

"Sartin'—sartin'. You, an old ex-slave, unable to read or write, was only followin' in de footsteps of intelligent, educated white men. Brudder Perkins, I war' walkin' round on 'leckshun day, an' I saw some curus things. I saw citizens who would not swallow ten drops of whisky if life depended on it vote for men who have sold the pisen stuff ober the bar fur y'ars. An' dat was savin' de kentry. I saw men who would turn a servant girl out doors on a winter's night if dey heard a scandal 'bout her, walk up to de polls and vote for men who rent from two to half a dozen houses to women of bad character. Dat was gwine is it straight. I saw men whose gives am breakin' deir hearts ober de wayward course of beloved sons, walk to de winder and stick in ballots fur candidates who am in cahoots wid blacklegs and de steady patrons of gamblin' houses. Dat was de glory of politics! I saw Christian men, who pray agin vice and shed tears ober the wickedness of society, vote fur candidates whose private life am one long night of debauchery and corruption. Dat was standin' by de party! I saw ministers ob de gospel cast votes for drunkards, libertines an' outlaws of society. Dat was supportin' de principle! I saw de honest, decent men of Distriot arrayed on one side, an' de thugs, thieves an' loafers on de colder, and de honest, decent men war' swept away like chaff befo' a gale. Dat was an illustrashun of de beauties of de 'lective franchise!"

"But I won't do it again, sah," pleaded Brother Perkins.

"You kin set down," quietly remarked the President. "That same night I heard aldermen bawlin' like mules because some favorite candidate had pulled frew wid de aid of money an' whisky. Citizens who wouldn't let you in at de front doah rolled in de mud dat night like hogs. Men who hev sone to brag up met as shook hands an' rejoiced ober de leckshuns of candidates who know de way into ebery saloon an' poker room in Detroit. Blame you, Brudder Perkins—blame you for follerin' de example of leadin' white folks! No, sah! Go an' sot down an' feel proud dat you come so nigh bein' an eminent citizen!"

Feeding Horses.

The horse has the smallest stomach in proportion to his size of any animal. Fifteen or sixteen quarts is its utmost capacity. This space is completely filled by four quarts of oats and the saliva that goes into the stomach with them. Horses are generally overfed, and not fed often enough. For a horse with moderate work, six or eight quarts of bruised oats and ten pounds of fine hay a day is sufficient. This should be fed in at least three meals, and is better if fed in four.

A horse's digestion is very rapid, and therefore he gets hungry sooner than a man. When he is hungry he is ineffective, and wears out very rapidly. Water fills the stomach, lowers the temperature and dilutes the gastric juice; therefore a horse should not drink immediately before eating. Neither should he be watered immediately after eating, for he will drink too much and force some of the contents of the stomach into the large intestines, which will cause scouring. Scouring is also caused by too rapid eating, which can be prevented by putting half a dozen pebbles half the size of the fist into the manger with the oats. Give only a moderate drink of water to a horse. A large drink of cold water before being driven will have a very quieting effect on a nervous horse. A race horse always runs on an empty stomach. Digestion progresses moderately during exercise, if the exercise is not so violent as to exhaust the powers of the horse.

I consider bruised oats worth 20 per cent more than whole. They are more completely digested. I prefer oats to any other grain for horses. Cracked corn is very good under some circumstances, but wouldn't use meal or shorts. The disease called big head is caused by feeding corn. When a horse comes in hot I would give a moderate feed immediately. If the horse is too tired to eat, I would take his feed away. A heated horse is a reason against watering, and for feeding, for the system is then just in the condition to begin digestion. A horse will not founder if fed moderately when hot. I prefer dry feed unless a horse has some disease of the throat or lungs. Do not consider it worth while to cut hay. I always feed hay from the floor, then horses do not get particles in their eyes.—*John E. Rastell to a farmers' meeting at Salem, Mass.*

Land League Villany.

A Western Associated Press dispatch from Dublin, Nov. 15th, gives the following particulars of an attack on Farmer Galvin at Castle Island, Kerry:

Saturday night, shortly after 8 o'clock, five disguised men entered the victim's house, and found Galvin, his mother, his wife, and two servants at home. The visitors were armed with muzzle-loading guns, and had white handkerchiefs tied across their faces to conceal their features. One of the parties, a tall fellow, advanced into the room and asked Galvin if he had paid his rent. Galvin replied in the affirmative, adding that all his neighbors had done the same. The leader then asked him coolly would he prefer to have his ears, cut off or be shot. Galvin replied that he had only one life, and would prefer death to mutilation. The unfortunate man was then directed to kneel on the floor. The leader then cried out: "Take aim, fire. Shoot him about the legs." Five shots were fired and three bullets lodged in Galvin's thigh. He fell on his face, and several of the attacking party began beating him with the butt of their guns. The terror-stricken mother threw herself upon her son to save him. One of the guns was broken by the heavy blows.

Feeble Ladies.

Those languid, tiresome sensations, causing you to feel scarcely able to be on your feet; that constant drain that is taken from your system all its elasticity; driving the bloom from your cheeks; that continual strain upon your vital forces, rendering you irritable and fretful, can easily be removed by the use of that marvelous remedy, Hop Bitters. Irregularities and obstructions of your system are relieved at once, while the special cause of periodical pain is permanently removed. Will you heed this?—*Cincinnati Evening News.*

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You can't do a great many things, but you can secure Parmelee's Great Blood Purifier, a never failing remedy for salt rheum, erysipelas, scrofula, boils, pimples, ulcers and all diseases arising from an impure and disordered state of the blood. Sold under a positive guarantee that if not entirely satisfactory, on return of the empty bottles we will refund your money. Sample bottles 15 cents; large size $1. Sold by A. B. Armstrong, Smethport, Pa. 52-4t.

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Business Cards.

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ROBT. C. SIMPSON, Agent of the Trustees.

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THE McKEAN MINER.

Smethport, Pa., December 1, 1881.

I. H. BARR, Editor and Proprietor.

Mr. Hiscock, of New York, is said to have the lead for Speaker at present.

Just think of it! We are just entering upon Winter, while the people of California are now enjoying strawberries, grapes and peaches.

The famous cartoonist, Thomas Nast, is stated to have lost lately $60,000 in Colorado silver mines. A cartoon is in order from Mr. Nast.

The Democracy crowed at first over a Democratic victory in Wisconsin. But 12,000 majority for the Republican Governor spoils that crow for it is the biggest given by Republicans in an off year for twenty years.

It is understood that Capt. H. H. Rutherberger, late a candidate for Sergeant at Arms of the United States Senate, will be elected to the Senate by the Legislature of Virginia. He will act with the Republicans, giving that party a clear majority in the Senate.

Mr. Theodore Bedenas, after a life of strange vicissitudes, is spending his latter days in comfortable prosperity. He is the possessor of $100,000 or more and his office provides him with an annual salary of $7,000. His duties are easily performed, and he has leisure for writing and lecturing.

A special to the *Inquirer* from London says the reports of Guiteau's trial excite the utmost astonishment among English lawyers, that such contempts and violations of decency are permitted in the Court room as the Englishmen understand how the criminal is enabled to communicate with the public through the newspapers.

The newly appointed postmaster of Shanklinford, Va., has surrendered his commission because, being a Readjuster, the Bourbon landlords refused to rent him a room in which to open the office. As a result the office has been discontinued. The foolish Bourbons will now have to go eight or ten miles for their mail. Pigheadedness is a game that two can play at.

The Democrats concede the organization of the next House to the Republicans. The Washington *Post* concedes it self by saying: "It is well that the organization of the House of Representatives should be thrown upon the Republicans in order that they may be responsible for legislation which they could irrespective of that organization, prevent or control."

Rev. O. B. Frothingham, the heterodox freethinker and materialist, has returned from a two years visit in the Old World with views and feelings strongly changed if not radically uprooted. He admits that his views are not calculated to impress the mind and operate upon the life while those that see God in Bible light become strong and exert a salutary influence upon the popular mind. He will hereafter devote his time to literary work instead of preaching.

A SPECIAL DISPATCH says Bourbon Washington correspondents that District Attorney Corkhill smuggled a fellow into the jail with Guiteau to study the assassin's mental condition, and then tried to get the fellow to leave town after the latter had confessed that he thought Guiteau insane. This is most discreditable if true. The trial has been sickening enough already without reducing it to the level of a police court trial, by such artifices.

At the Erie Railroad election Tuesday, the direct directors were chosen. A dividend of six per cent. has been declared on the preferred stock. Six per cent. has also been ordered paid on the income bonds. The gross earnings for the year were $30,216,000. The surplus for the year is $1,887,000. This with $1,193,000 received from other sources has been applied mainly to improvements of the road and property, and to the acquisition of equipments and real estate. The increase of the gross earnings this year is $2,022,000.

Mrs. Lucretia Garfield has placed the literary estate of the late President Garfield in the hands of Col. A. F. Rockwell of the United States army, who is charged, under her direction, with its care, preservation and disposition. Mrs. Garfield is snowed under with letters begging for money from all parts of the country, and from people of all conditions and classes. It is impossible for her even to reply to them, as she receives from thirty to sixty a day, and if she acceded to half the requests she would soon be impoverished.

The election in Pennsylvania next year will be for a governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of internal affairs, a justice of the supreme court, 25 state senators for four years, 201 members of assembly for two years, 27 members of congress, and important local officers in every county in the state. The fight for governor and other state officers, and for members of the senate and house, will be the most hotly contested ever known in Pennsylvania, both as regards the nomination as well as the election of these officers. The twenty-five state senators to be elected will have a vote for United States senator in January, 1884.

The committee appointed by the Medical Society of Washington to investigate the prevalence of malarial diseases in that city have submitted a report, in which they state that the rumors are unfounded; that Washington, as heretofore, is as healthy as the most favored cities of this country or Europe, and that a large proportion of the so-called malarial diseases are due to other than malarial influences. They refer, however, to the bad condition of the Potomac flats, which is a menace for the future, but that when it is remedied Washington will be one of the most healthful, as it is one of the most beautiful, cities in the country.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 28, 1881.

Members of Congress are coming in rapidly now, and while, with everybody else, the leading object of interest is the Guiteau trial, the all absorbing topic among the politicians is the organization of Congress and the Speakership of the House. The candidates for this important office, that is, the Republican candidates, since it is conceded that the Republicans have a clear majority, are Hiscock, of New York; Keifer, of Ohio; Reed, of Maine; Orth, of Indiana; Burrows, of Michigan; Davis and Henderson, of Illinois; Kasson, of Iowa; Haskell, of Kansas, and Dunnell, of Minnesota. If I have failed to give them all, it is because memory is at fault and not from any desire to favor one above another. But the plain truth is that most of those who get their names on the list do so in order to stand well in the make up of the committees, and not because of real hopes of reaching the Speakership.

The leading names in the race are Hiscock, Kasson, Keifer and Reed. Some changes have taken place in the last few days touching the status of the contest. At the present time it seems as though some magnifying had been done by Hiscock and his many friends, for a search for his support reveals the fact that he will fail in many of his claims. He has been spoken of as the only Eastern candidate, but Mr. Robeson, of New Jersey, has come out for Reed, which means that the latter will swing that delegation, and it is stated that Reed will have all but two or three of the New England members. But the worst feature in Hiscock's case is the failure to unite his own delegation. He was a Greeley man in 1872, and this has left some sore places. He has also, it is said, deceived Conkling's friends, and the Grant men are generally "blown" on him. Reed will also hurt him in Pennsylvania; while on the other hand, he has not retained the united support of the other wing.

Mr. Keifer has been making an active canvass but he is handicapped by the anti Ohio prejudice just now and can't spread much because the lesser lights around Ohio won't be considered. Mr. Kasson is making a lively canvass, and has much strength, but he has been out of the country some time and has not the personal acquaintance with members that Mr. Reed and others have. When he left Congress four years ago Kasson was one of the best parliamentarians on the Republican side, but the revision of the rules since, by the Forty-fifth Congress, places him at some disadvantage in this respect now. Besides his vote on the tariff are not such as to give him assistance at this time. And so there is a state of glorious uncertainty about the contest with the chances in favor of nobody in particular.

The Guiteau trial is dragging its length along attracting a little smaller crowd now than it did the first of the several week. But there is a perfect jam still. Mr. Scoville says it will last three months, but it is difficult to see what will transpire to occupy all that time. Doubtless the examination and cross-examination of experts on insanity will consume many days perhaps weeks, yet from the present outlook, the case ought to be concluded within two weeks. Much speculation is indulged in now as to the result, the conduct of the prisoner and the evidence adduced having led many to believe that he is really insane, or at least, that there is doubt enough about it to cause a disagreement of the jury. From the miserable creatures whose career it does appear that he is and always has been crack brained and unbalanced in mind, but that he is irresponsibly insane is another matter. There is something singular about this matter of expert testimony. There are experts for the defense and experts for the Government, and they testify on whichever side employs them. The sort of thing ought to cheapen the value of "expert" evidence. The only result of it must be to befog the whole case and the jury. As for Guiteau himself, the authorities treat him altogether too well. He ought to be squelched. JUNIUS

THE MINTS.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR—AN INTERESTING STATEMENT.

The Director of the Mint reports that the gold and silver received and operated upon by all the mints and assay offices during the last fiscal year exceeded by more than $50,000,000 the receipts of any previous year. It amounted to $220,225,000 of which $193,371,000 was gold and $32,854,000 silver. The increase was due to the continued influx of gold from abroad, over $95,000,000 of the amount deposited being from that source. The coinage facilities of the mints have been tested to their full extent in converting this bullion in coin. The gold coinage amounted to $78,731,000. The coinage of silver was confined to the value of silver bullion required to be coined by the law authorizing the coinage of standard dollars, $27,658,000 of which were struck. Of the subsidiary coins $12,000 were coined, of the baser metals, or minor coins, $405,000. In addition to the coinage the mints assay offices manufactured bars to the amount of $100,750,000 of gold and $6,512,000 of silver. The purchases of silver bullion for the coinage of silver dollars amounted to 22,137,000 ounces, at a cost of $22,579,000. The total coinage of standard dollars since the passage of the act for their coinage, has been, up to November 1st, $100,673,000, of which $54,006,000 are in active circulation. The net wastage of the fiscal year is $12,300. The production of gold in the United States during the year is estimated at $36,500,000, and of silver $42,100,000. The amount of gold consumed by manufacturers and jewelers was over $100,000,000, and of silver $4,500,000. At the end of the year the gold circulation was $440,000,000 and of silver $171,500,000. On Nov. 1st the amount of specie available for and awaiting coinage, including that in circulation, was of gold $563,000,000 and of silver $186,000,000.

The Garfield estate is now estimated to be worth half a million. Besides the house in Washington and the Mentor farm, the legal appraisement of the personal property amounts to $100,000. With the munificent donations and presidential salary the estate will foot up fully $300,000.

THE GARFIELD AUTOPSY.

CHARGES OF CARELESSNESS DENIED—A REPLY TO SENSELESS CRITICISM.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28. Acting Assistant Surgeon Lamb, who performed the autopsy upon the body of the late President, furnishes the following:

"There prevails to some extent an impression that the examination of the body of the late President Garfield was a careless and haphazard one, without order or method, and that the bullet was found only by accident. This impression is entirely incorrect. The order of examination was prearranged in a consultation held for the purpose, and was carried out as far as the developments of the autopsy permitted.

"It was necessary to ascertain the extent and character of the injury, and, if possible, to obtain the missile. All things considered, the only way in which these objects could be accomplished was by first opening the abdominal cavity.

"Much has been said about the bullet being found in a basin, and the statement has been industriously circulated by prejudiced parties. The facts are as follows: The search for the bullet was prosecuted carefully, systematically and successfully; and the latter is no small matter, in view of the fact that in many post-mortem examinations, even after careful, laborious and persistent search the missile has not been found.

"It was first sought for near the groin, where it was expected by some that it would be found. Failing to find it there the pus channel was then followed up, but this procedure made it necessary to remove the overlying organs. These removed parts were temporarily placed in a large China washbowl until they could be examined at the order prescribed in the preliminary consultation. The pus channel led up to the fractured ribs and vertebræ.

"The position of the opening of exit of the bullet from the latter indicated the probability of its further track being in the hemorrhagic clot in the tissues removed. While the examination of the vertebræ was being made, one of the surgeons assisting turned his attention to the parts removed, and discovered there the position of the bullet. There was nothing at all of the nature of an accident in the manner in which it was found. It had formed for itself a cyst wall beneath the pancreas. After completing the examination of the vertebræ I cut the cyst open and took the bullet out of it.

"It has been suggested by some that after the removal of the parts from the body their relations could no longer be recognized. This difficulty could only occur to one who was unfamiliar with anatomy. No formal reply has as yet been made to the many unjust and often senseless criticisms which have been so freely bestowed upon this autopsy. I had expected that a complete exposition of the point criticised would have been made in the course of the testimony of the medical witnesses. But, with one exception, they were afforded no opportunity, and the gentleman excepted inadvertently omitted some of the facts related above.

"I believe, therefore, that the public should be made acquainted with the facts, in order that it may neither misjudge the surgeons nor suppose that the autopsy was incomplete or improperly conducted. "D. S. LAMB,

"Acting Assistant Surgeon"

Erie Railroad's Purchase

The Erie Railway Company have just made one of the most extensive purchases in the history of the organization says the *Elmira Free Press*. The contract was completed and concluded on Saturday last. They have bought the entire stock of the Blossburg Coal Company, which carries with it the stock of the Tioga Railroad Company and of the Illinois State Line Company. The coal property is one of the most valuable bituminous coal properties in the whole State of Pennsylvania or in the whole country, comprising about twenty-eight thousand acres of coal lands with mines fully developed. The railroad connected with the property is by itself a paying enterprise, running from Arnot to this city and connecting here with the main line of the Erie. The price paid was in the neighborhood of $2,000,000. Jay Gould was one of the largest owners of the Blossburg Coal Company and in the transaction he is to take the opera house property of the Erie situated on Twenty-third street and Eighth Avenue in New York city. The property is to be appraised in the sale at a valuation given it by ex-Governor Edwin D. Morgan. There is no change in the organization or management of the coal company's concerns, F. N. Drake, Esq., of Corning, still remaining the President of both organizations and there will probably be no change until the next annual election of the companies. The Erie railway will probably continue the road they are now building from Arnot to Babbs Creek and form a connection with the Reading road, which will give that road an outlet to the West over the Erie. All of these new combinations and arrangements increase the importance and prominence of Elmira and make it more and more a railroad centre.

No Pantaloons!

The fashion of women wearing the breeches pleases some folks, but don't suit the Louisville *Journal* man. Hear him:

"We are willing that they shall have the ballot when they convince us that they want it, we are willing that they shall give us the whole width of the street-crossings and take to the mud, we are willing that they shall resign to us their seats in the horse-cars and other public places, and receive in turn our placid disregard, we are even willing that they shall crawl out of bed first and kindle the fire in the morning, but by the holy hide of the sacred bull, we will cling to our pantaloons

Till the stars are old
And the sun grows cold,
And our last gallus button shall lose its hold!

The work on the Buffalo, Pittsburgh and Western extension between Irvineton and Salamanca has progressed so far that it is confidently stated trains will be running between Irvineton and Kinzua village the first month of the new year, and probably in December.

MARSHALL HENRY, of the District of Columbia, says that the Guiteau trial will cost the Government not far short of $150,000.

The District Commissioners visited the President Saturday last and handed in their report. They called attention to their recommendation regarding the malarious river flat, the water supply, railroad union depot and inability of the authorities to make necessary public improvements in consequence of the bad demeanor interest on $22,000,000 indebtedness, for which the District should not be responsible, as it was the creation of the general government. The Commissioners ask that in his message to Congress these things should not be overlooked. The President asked the Commissioners to remind him, by letter of the points stated so that they may be before him.

Eastern butchers must look out for sharp competition during the coming winter, as beef and pork will be sent from the West in such quantities and prepared for retail sale, as will enable grocers and provision dealers to keep it on hand, and sell the choicest cuts for eight and ten cents a pound. Sirloin steak and roast, it is asserted, can be sent from Illinois slaughter houses and sold for eight cents a pound, that is, furnished to retail merchants at rates which will enable them to sell at these prices. Under existing circumstances we are paying twelve, fourteen, sixteen and even eighteen cents a pound for choice cuts of beef. If the arrangement for cheap beef can be made, it will naturally produce a sharp competition between the importer and the local butcher.

The insanity of Guiteau was the main question before the Court during the week. John W. Guiteau, a brother of the assassin from Boston, was called on the stand as a witness. He held the prisoner sane enough to be accountable to God for his acts, but whether accountable to the law he could not say. At some period of his life, he the witness thought his brother had voluntarily surrendered himself to evil practices rather than good. Guiteau was sane enough to see that this evidence was injuring his case and he made frequent and sometimes angry interruptions. Counsel for the prosecution attempted to stop him, but Guiteau waved his hand imperiously saying: "You keep quiet, if you please, Judge." It is thought the trial may last till Christmas, as the evidence of experts on insanity has not been entered on as yet, and there will be many witnesses to examine on both sides of this question.

The Southern debt scaling business will assume a new phase when Congress meets. Senator Mahone has prepared the following resolution, which he will introduce directing the Committee on Finances of the Senate to inquire whether any State of the Union has repudiated, or attempted to repudiate in whole or in part, any of its bonded debt, and whether any of the trust funds invested by the United States in State bonds have been lost or impaired by the action of any state. A like resolution will be brought before the House. The habit of swindling in debts, practiced at the South will disown the charge, and exclusively at the desire of the Readjusters North Carolina and South Carolina are prominently mentioned, as having no cause to call the kettle black, although they did send Vance and Hampton to defeat Cameron in Virginia. A Democratic administration in South Carolina scaled a State debt of $10,000,000 below $4,000,000. North Carolina did better yet in the reduction of her bonds. In his resolution Senator Mahone will move further, that the Senate Finance Committee shall ascertain if possible upon what theory the repudiating States have dealt with their obligations and to report whether there is any remedy left to the United States in case its trust funds have been impaired or lost. So, really to simmer the thing down, in which the Republicans deserve to be most commended, for accepting readjustment without Bourbonism or repudiation with Bourbonism?

SENATOR MAHONE, of Virginia, is making the best of his late victory and applying its effects in other ways than that of perpetuating his personal popularity in his State. He has been making a tour of observation, speaking to large audiences in other States, and his speeches are marked by a good sense and a breadth of political knowledge which proves him well qualified for the leadership to which he is now passing. He predicts that the Republican National Convention of 1884 will be composed not only of National Republicans, but of men who will join in an effort the logical tendencies of which will crush Southern Bourbonism. The Republicans of the South are forced not only to contend with Democrats who differ with them on essential principles for the administration of the Government, but with an element of hate to that Government which prompted the war for its overthrow. Senator Mahone now takes the ground that this element must be stamped out, and that the party which won in Virginia will war to do it, unflinchingly, and will join with the Republicans of the North in 1884 to win a victory at the ballot box that will put at rest in every section of the Union all efforts to ignore national authority and keep the States in antagonism to the National Government. Senator Mahone has the true idea of the future of politics in this country, and when he foreshadows the spirit in which the canvass for the next Presidency is to be made he shows not only his knowledge of the influences which defeated rebellion, but his comprehension of what the triumph over treason really meant.

"Another Gusher."

The above was a familiar expression when the North Warren field was in its prime, for "gushers" were numerous. But they soon gushed out, and for two years past wells in that section have not yeelded much, and the territory seemed exhausted. But last week another market-master startled the oil world, and various rumors of a big gusher at North Warren were numerous. It appears that a well on Mrs. Crull's farm, near the railroad track and adjoining the State Hospital farm, was being drilled deeper. It was put down three or four years ago by Watson & Raydure, and sold to H. A. Jamieson, Esq., of Warren, George Haseltine, of Conewango, and Mr. Hanford, of Warren, Mr. Jamieson owning a one-half interest in the lease of fifty acres, and the latter each one-fourth. This well had been a small one for some time, pumping about a barrel of oil per day. On Tuesday morning last the drill had gone about thirty feet deeper than the original depth, when the tools suddenly dropped about seven feet into a crevice it is supposed, and the oil and gas began to flow with terrific force. A saver was put on and the oil conducted into tanks of this and other wells. Wednesday, they had saved about 750 barrels in the first 24 hours, and considerable oil was lost. It continued to flow about thirty barrels per hour until Thursday morning, when it stopped short, probably clogged up. Saturday it commenced flowing again at the usual rate. Monday morning attempts were made to tube it, but the flow of oil was too strong. All day Monday it averaged thirty barrels per hour, and was still flowing at last accounts.

What it will amount to is only surmise. It is believed to be at the depth of Crull No. 1, a big gusher, and the Hoffman well, which has yielded largely but is now abandoned. There is talk of other old wells being drilled deeper, and the result may be similar.—*Warren Mail.*

Two Engines Collide.

On Tuesday afternoon two freight trains on the B. N. Y. & P. railroad collided at Weston's. They had orders to meet at Portville, No. 12 traveling south and No. 13 north. The engineer of the latter observing a wild cat train on the siding supposed it to be the one he was to pass. Instead of slacking up and making sure of it he ran by the station, the signal men making no effort to stop him, he believing that it was his intention to run in on the side track at the upper end. Train No. 12 was engaged in doing its work at Portville, and the engineer discovering the headlight of the other advancing train tried to run back out of the way. He could not do so in time to avert the accident, and being overtaken, the two engines came together with a crash. The front end of the one attached to No. 12 was smashed and three or four cars were wrecked. Fortunately, no one was injured, but the track was obstructed for several hours.

Fraser Axle Grease.

One trial will convince you that it is the best. Ask your dealer for the Fraser Axle Grease, and take no other. Every box has our trake mark on. 47-3m

Court Proclamation.

The Hon. HENRY WILLIAMS, President Judge, and the Hons. W. N. BROWNELL, and C. M. FULLER, Associate Judges of the Courts of Over and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Courts and Court of Common Pleas for the County of McKean, have issued their precept, bearing date Tuesday, Sept. 20, 1881, and to me directed, for holding a Court of Over and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Court, and Court of Common Pleas, in the Borough of Smethport, on Monday, the 14th day of Dec. A. D. 1881, and to continue one week.

Notice is therefore hereby given to Coroners, Justices of the Peace and Constables within the county that they be then and there in their proper person, at 10 o'clock, a. m., of said day, with their rolls, records, inquisitions, examinations and other remembrances, to do those things which to their offices appertain to be done. And those who are bound by their recognizances to prosecute against the prisoners that are or shall be in the jail of said county of McKean are to be then and there to prosecute against them as will be just.

Dated at Smethport, Nov. 22, 1881, and the 106th year of the Independence of the United States of America.

R. WARTWELL, Sheriff.

List of Petit Jurors

Drawn for Court of Over and Terminer of McKean County, to be summoned for December Term, 1881.

Anderson Isaac, Hamilton township.
Abbey, J. B., Smethport borough.
Brown, S. W., Otto township.
Baker, P. M., Otto township.
Brown, E. M., Duke Centre borough.
Buchanan, James, Foster township.
Bunker, W. H., Otto township.
Curtis, R. C., Keating township.
Crenshaw, Wm., Foster township.
Covert, Jacob, Otto township.
Cardiff, E. L., Eldred township.
Cossett, Jacob, Bradford township.
Coffin, W. J., Bradford township.
Camp, F. P., Liberty township.
Cash, E. F., Bradford township.
Corbridge, Daniel, Foster township.
Cowden, W. L., Foster township.
Duke, John, Duke Centre borough.
Dotson, H., Foster township.
Dickinson, Isaac, Hamilton township.
Gallup, Henry, Smethport borough.
Grant, John, Annin township.
Green, C. H., Foster township.
Gates, Lyman, Keating township.
Gaynor, Wm., Keating township.
Gray, Duke, Bradford city.
Green, Jas. M., Foster township.
Hall, Geo. W., Hamilton township.
Hall, Henry, Annin township.
Hall, H. F., Keating township.
Hall, Isaac, Eldred township.
Hyde, E. P., Duke Centre borough.
Ives, Lyman, Otto township.
Kelly, Thomas, Foster township.
Mines, Richard, Eldred township.
Neff, Frank, Eldred township.
Pattison, Stephen, Smethport borough.
Ramey, Isaac, Liberty township.
Rothaby, J. J., Corydon township.
Stevens, A. A., Keating township.
Straight, Sylvester, Otto township.
Spiller, W. H., Otto township.
Sherwood, Simon B., Otto township.
Sofield, J. S., Duke Centre borough.
Smith, Charles, Otto township.
Vance, Seymour, Hamilton township.
Wass, John, Otto township.
Weber, George, Wetmore township.

H. SARTWELL, Sheriff.
N. C. GALLUP, Jury Com'r.

Attest,
JOHN R. SHOEMAKER, Clerk.

List of Grand Jurors

Drawn for Court of Quarter Sessions of McKean County, to be summoned for December term, 1881.

Arnold, A. A., Bradford city.
Barrett, S. S., Eldred township.
Brownell, George K., Smethport borough.
Babcock, O. P., Kendall borough.
Barnes, James Jr., Lafayette township.
Burdick, G. A., Norwich township.
Curtis, Jerome, Eldred township.
Cook, J. J., Eldred township.
Coon, J. H., Corydon township.
Debo, John, Liberty township.
Eastwood, A. L., Liberty township.
Evans, J. C., Annin township.
Freeman, C. P., Keating township.
Grider, Edward, Keating township.
Hafner, Philip, Hamilton township.
Hussey, Thomas, Keating township.
Hamlin, A. W., Kendall borough.
Knapp, William, Eldred township.
Mayer, Joseph, Kendall borough.
Miller, J. J., Foster township.
Murtaugh, H. E., Otto township.
Nicholson, George, Hamilton township.
Rockwell, Seth, Eldred township.
Schenck, George, Bradford city.

H. SARTWELL, Sheriff.
N. C. GALLUP, Jury Com'r.

Attest,
JOHN R. SHOEMAKER, Clerk.

PLUMBING
Gas and Steam Fiting.

As the citizens of Smethport are about to introduce water into their houses,

IRLBACKER & DAVIS,
No. 503 Main Street,
BUFFALO, N. Y.
—AND—
IRLBACKER, DAVIS & CO.,
No. 144 Union Street,
OLEAN, N. Y.

offer their services to do anything desired in the line of Plumbing, Gas and Steam Fitting, guaranteeing the best possible work and materials at the lowest possible prices.

GIVE US A TRIAL.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SODA FOUNTAIN
CONFECTIONERY
STORE.

Having recently opened a Confectionery store in Smethport I am prepared to furnish the public with

Choice Fresh Candies,
OF ALL KINDS,
TROPICAL FRUITS,
NUTS, ETC., ETC.

OYSTERS!
Fresh shell oysters served
RAW, STEWED,
FRIED, STEAMED,
AND IN EVERY STYLE DESIRED AT ALL SEASONS OF THE YEAR.

A call is respectfully solicited.
52-tf T. J. HUMES.

PENSIONS For SOLDIERS, Widows, Children, Mothers or Fathers of deceased Soldiers, Sailors, Marines or Children. Thousands yet entitled. Pensions given for loss of finger, toe or rupture. Fortunes made by many Attorneys. Send stamp for New Laws, Decisions, Forms and Instructions. INVENTORS send for Digest of PATENTS procured for inventions. Rejected claims, Reissues, Trade Marks, Labels, Copyrights, Interferences, Decisions, Appeals, Infringements, Suits, Extensions, Assignments, Foreign Patents, Hints to Inventors, Examinations, Opinions as to Patentability, Drawings, Specifications, Assignments, Caveats, Copies of Patents, Claims, Models

L. W. MASON

Is daily receiving some of the finest HEATING STOVES ever brought into Smethport, which he is selling not below cost, but for a small per cent, for cash.

SHELF GOODS.

A full line of shelf goods usually kept in a hardware store, and sold at the lowest possible price.

Step into Mason's and examine the RANGES manufactured by Sill Stove Co., Rochester, N. Y. They are the finest in the market.

THE McKEAN MINER.

Smethport, Pa., December 1, 1881.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

We have frequently made requests through these columns for delinquent subscribers to settle up, yet it was fruitless. To one individual the amount looks small, still when you take into consideration the number of different parties who are indebted to us the sum is not so trifling. We need the money and must have it. To those who can and will pay we will give them a chance to do so and save costs. To those who can and will not, we intend to place their accounts in the hands of their nearest Justice of the Peace with authority to collect. This is the only way we can devise of getting our just debts, and as we do not feel like continually dunning our patrons we are compelled to resort to it. Our accounts must be balanced on or before the first of January. Remember this and pay up.

HERE AND HEREABOUTS.

The first day of winter.

Wall paper at Specht & Sons'. 19-tf.

Good weather for empty coal bins, this.

Al. Johnson of Carrollton was in town this week.

December were ushered in with a very warm rain storm.

Our columns are open to the merchants to advertise their Holiday goods.

The advertisement of T. J. Humes, the confectioner, will be found in our ad. column.

G. H. Biggins and W. D. Congdon, of Aiken, were on the streets on day this week.

To delinquent subscribers. You will hear from us in a few days. Have your purses open.

Linderman, of the *Era*, and Hughes of the *Reporter* were taking in the town on Friday last.

It is not very often we have such a fine day for the last of November as yesterday was.

The libel suit of P. C. Boyle against the Bradford *Star* is now in progress before Judge McClure.

The young people are taking advantage of these pleasant moonlight evenings for their rambles.

A large number of deer have been killed in these parts this fall. They are reported as being quite plentiful.

W. J. Brewer killed two fine deer up Potatoe Creek a few days ago, and it was not a very good day for deer either.

Hon. Glenni W. Scofield, of Warren, ex Register of the Treasury, has been sworn in as Judge of the Court of Claims.

The annual election of officers of McKean Lodge No. 388, F. & A. M. will be held at the hall on Wednesday, Dec. 14th.

Nobby overcoats and ulsters at a bargain at Joseph & Dornberger's Eldred clothing house. They are the very latest styles out.

To all who want a new suit of clothes go to Joseph & Dornberger's store in Eldred and select one from their mammoth stock.

There will be preaching in the Baptist church next Sunday morning and evening by Rev. T. S. Leonard, of Rochester, N. Y.

Headache, Dyspepsia, Biliousness, and Constipation, cured at once by Dr. Mettaur's Headache and Dyspepsia Pills. Price 25 cents. 51-4t

Ladies, and all who lead sedentary lives, should use Dr. Mettaur's Headache and Dyspepsia Pills. Price 25 cents. For sale at all Drug Stores. 51-4t

Olive-wood ink stands, pen racks, vases, boxes and card cases in a large variety of patterns at Messrs. R. O. Smith & Co.'s, Olean, N. Y. 51-5t.

—Beautiful Russia leather jewel cases, work boxes, shaving cases, toilet cases, comb and brush cases at Messrs. R. O. Smith & Co.'s, Olean, N. Y. 51-5t.

—Not over 40 dogs have ever been assessed at one time in this borough, still, as everybody knows, there are over 300 curs running at large on our streets today.

—Just the business for a gentleman's Christmas present: A nice smoking suit and a pair of fine slippers. The place to buy them is at Messrs. R. O. Smith & Co.'s, Olean, N. Y. 51-5t.

—Messrs. R. O. Smith & Co., Olean, N. Y., carry the largest line of ladies', misses and children's fine shoes to be found in Western New York. Their prices are very low. 51-5t.

—For this and next week Joseph & Dornberg, of Eldred, offer special inducements in clothing to people who reside in surrounding towns. Now is your chance to secure bargains.

—We noticed a fine crayon picture of Dr. H. L. McCoy, the handiwork of W. L. Alexander, in Gallup's show window the other day. Will gets up a very creditable picture indeed.

—The school children seem to enjoy this pleasant weather and indulge in all the out-door games. Only yesterday we noticed a party of the pupils near one of the front doors engaged in a game of euchre, and later in the day there seemed to be a sort of free-for-all fight going on near the temple of education.

—Our 25 cent counter will be a prominent feature in our Holiday trade. This stock will be opened December 1st, and will be unusually large and attractive. R. O. Smith & Co., Olean, N. Y. 51-5t.

—An immense stock of silk handkerchiefs ranging from 15 cents to $5.00 each. A new line of ladies' linen hemstitched initial handkerchiefs at 25 cts. each, at Messrs. R. O. Smith & Co.'s linen counter. 51-5t.

—An elegant assortment of Japanese vases, Dresden China vases and figures, Terra Cotta figures, decorated plaques and pallets, all beautiful goods for Holiday gifts, may be found at Messrs. R. O. Smith & Co.'s, Olean, N. Y. 51-5t.

A beautiful assortment of fine hand embroidered towels especially adapted to Holiday trade may be seen at Messrs. R. O. Smith & Co.'s, Olean, N. Y. They are the finest goods ever produced in this line. The prices range from $1.50 to $4.00 each. 51-5t

The Bradford papers do not speak very highly of the "Original New Orleans Minstrels." When newspapers get in the habit of truthfully criticising traveling troupes their deficiencies will be remedied or the "show" business will be given up to some other calling.

—H. F. Barbour, formerly of the MINER, came to town Tuesday and shook hands with his numerous friends. For some time past he has been in the office of Internal Affairs at Harrisburg, and his appearance indicates that the atmosphere of the State Capital agrees with him.

The latest neck gear are the large kerchiefs such as our grandmothers were pleased to wear nearly a hundred years ago. They nearly cover them shoulders, and then across over the chest with ends tucked in the belt, or knotted just above, thus giving a dressy effect.

The Riddell House at Bradford, was sold by Dr. Riddell to Charles Chamberlain of Corry and John Cobb of Jamestown on Tuesday of this week. The price paid for the property was $40,000, and the new management will take possession today. The hotel was erected in 1873, so that it is comparatively a new structure.

Ladies' misses and children's scarlet underwear, splendid values in all wool, brown mixed underwear in scarlet, white and gray mixed; a full line of American Hosiery Co.'s full regular made goods are among the many lines of goods to be found in Messrs. R. O. Smith & Co.'s Hosiery Department, Olean, New York. 51-5t.

The bank epidemic known as rascal has struck Kansas, and the cashier and president of a bank that has just closed its doors upon the outer world were arrested and before they could be seriously contused were taken from officers by a mob and will be retained until they disgorge. It looks as though Judge Lynch had taken such matters in hand in Kansas.

The Hon. John W. Forney once wrote an elaborate obituary notice on Senator Oliver P. Morton, in anticipation of the death of that statesman. The statesman failed to die, and being a little fearful that some of his points were incorrect, Mr. Forney sent Mr. Morton the obituary and had him read it over and amend it. Upon his death a short time thereafter, the corrected obituary was printed.

Last evening officers Kerns and Barlow came brought to town and placed in jail James Randall, a resident of Marvin creek. Sometime last summer young Randall killed a dog belonging to Paul Wright. Randall claims he did not kill the dog, but the case went to trial and as he was not on hand to defend himself a judgment of $50 was secured against him which he refuses to pay, hence his confinement in jail.

By announcement elsewhere it will be seen that we propose to collect the accounts due the MINER for job work and subscription. We wish to get all accounts in shape by the first of the year, and start in anew. It is just as easy to pay them now as ever, and we are sorely in need of the money. On the first of January we wish to start with clean books if possible, and if necessary to do so cash will be made, a thing we hope to avoid.

Almost the entire press of the country is calling attention to the number of brakemen killed by the use of the present style of car-couplings. The Cincinnati *Times-Star* says, "It is the duty of all State Legislatures to pass laws compelling the introduction of safety couplers. Until that is done, the slaughter will continue, with 'nobody to blame' but the poor brakeman himself, who must take his life in his hand and walk into the trap a dozen times a day."

An Olean man was talking through the telephone which connects his office with his house. He had been out to the saloon to look over the election returns with the boys, and when he asked his wife if she wanted election steak for dinner, she took in the situation and boldly said, "Henry, you are drunk." "Blank that blankety telephone," said he; "who would have thought she could have smelled my breath?" And he sent the office boy out after half a pound of cloves.

—For the past 29 years every man, woman and child within a radius of 25 miles have known a bay horse, "Old Tom," owned by the Bartwells of this place. He was a rare piece of horse flesh and knew "as much as a man" in nearly every sense of the word. But his body will no more be found in the gardens and yards of our townspeople (he was a sly old thief) for Old Tom shuffled off this mortal coil yesterday morning by a rifle ball from a kind hearted man who ended his useless life.

—A beautiful thought in connection with growing old was called out by a discussion as to which is the happiest season in human life. The decision was left to an old man of 80. Pointing to a neighboring grove he said: "When vernal airs call forth the first birds and yonder trees are covered with blossoms, I think how beautiful spring is; when summer clothes them with rich foliage and the birds sing in the branches, I say how beautiful summer is; when they are loaded with fruit or bright with hues of early frost, I think how beautiful is the autumn; but in zero winter, when there is neither verdure nor fruit, I look through the leafless boughs as I could never before, and I see the stars shine."

—The farme work of D. R. Hamlin's new house at the upper end of Main street is nearly up.

—Armstrong's drug store contains some very neat show cases. Al. knows how to arrange things in a tasty manner.

It is announced that Gen. W. Dickinson has sold the Olean *Times* to Richmond C. Hill, editor of the Olean *Press*. Mr. Hill assumes the management of his new purchase on the first of January.

—At the Opera House, Bradford, on Thursday evening of this week, Hon. Schuyler Colfax will deliver his new lecture, entitled "Our Martyred Presidents." It will doubtless be very interesting.

—Joe Reilly is on the sick list and another good looking young fellow is attending to the wants of customers at Frisbee's tobacco and cigar store. It is expected Joe will be on his feet in a day or two.

—We call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Wm. Haskill & Son on this page. Having disposed of their grocery trade they are now dealing exclusively in dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes.

Everything suitable for a Christmas gift in the clothing and gents' furnishing goods line can be found at Joseph & Dornbergs large clothing house in Eldred. They never had a better stock for the holiday trade.

J. L. Andrews, Chief of the Bradford Fire Department, was on Saturday evening last presented with an elegant gold badge by the Johnson Hose Company. Jule has proved a faithful and competent officer, and this testimonial was well deserved.

—Do not make your Holiday selections without examining the elegant stock of Messrs. R. O. Smith & Co.'s, Olean, N. Y. They are showing several lines of fine room decorations in the way of fine ebony brackets, towel racks, whisp broom cases, slipper cases, gilt sconces and mirrors, fine Japanese vases and many other novelties that will interest all who are in search of nice Holiday presents. 51-5t.

—Messrs. R. O. Smith & Co., of Olean, N. Y., are showing beautiful lines of Holiday goods suitable to the wants of all classes of trade. They call particular attention to the many novelties in their fancy goods department. From this date until January 1st, a special display of these goods will be made. Their force of help will be largely increased and every effort will be made to make Holiday goods an attractive and interesting feature of their business. 51-5t.

Lyman E. Daman, a farmer whose home was at Farmersville, N. Y., attempted to cross the track at Main St., Salamanca, Tuesday morning as train 21 was approaching at a lively rate. The train was unobserved by Daman until it was too close for him to make his escape. He was hurled some distance from the track and picked up in a mangled and dying condition. Although he was conveyed to a place of shelter and medical aid immediately summoned, nothing could be done for the unfortunate man and he died within a few minutes.

An immense draw in ladies' fine hand embroidered hem stitched linen handkerchiefs will be offered as a special Holiday attraction on our linen counter. One hundred dozen of the above goods slightly imperfect, will be sold at the following remarkably low prices. 30 doz. at 25 cents each worth 50 cts.; 40 doz. at 30 cts. worth 60 cts.; 20 doz. at 35 cts. worth 75 cts.; 10 doz. at 50 cts. worth $1. The early customers in these goods will secure the best values. R. O. Smith & Co., Olean, N. Y. 51-5t.

Now is the time for holiday advertising. Now is the time to make impressions for the trade. It is persistent, conspicuous and judicious advertising that tells. Never advertise beyond your ability to make good what you promise. In other words, advertise the truth. This will help trade; it will make trade. Remember, too, that in all the make shifts for advertising, experience has demonstrated that there is no agency for that purpose that will at all compare in efficiency and in returns for the investment required with the popular and largely circulated newspaper that every body reads.

—Messrs. R. O. Smith & Co., Olean, N. Y., are showing a large assortment of ulsters, dolmans and jackets. They call particular attention to their many new light colored dolmans and jackets. Their stock of satin and acrilan silk fur trimmed dolmans is very large. Among these will be found some particularly desirable styles at remarkably low prices. They have also two sample lines of misses' and children's fine sacks, about twenty garments in all, that will be sold very much less than value. 51-5t.

—The man who fractured his scull while jumping from a moving train at Olean on Friday will probably die from his injuries. He lies in a semi-conscious condition, and physicians pronounce his case hopeless. From papers found on his person it is learned that his name is William Fee and that he has been employed on the extension of the Rochester & Pittsburgh Railroad as a day laborer. It is supposed that the cause of his jumping from the train while it was moving was to catch a southbound train on the Buffalo road. If he had remained on the Erie train until it drew into the depot he would have had to walk back a distance of one-fourth of a mile.

—Newspapers, says somebody, are valuable to material prosperity. They advertise the village, county or locality. They spread before the reader a map on which may be traced character, design, progress. If a stranger calls at a hotel he first inquires for the village newspaper; if a friend comes from a distance, the very first thing after a family greeting inquires for your village or county newspaper, and you feel discomfitted if unable to find a late copy, and confounded if you are compelled to say you do not take it. The newspaper is just as necessary to fit a man for his true position in life as food or raiment. Show us a ragged, barefoot boy rather than an ignorant one. His head will cover his feet in after years if he is well supplied with newspapers. Show us the child that is eager for newspapers. He will make the man of mark in after life if you gratify that desire for knowledge. Other things being equal, it is a rule that never fails. Give the children newspapers.

Death of W. A. Williams.

After a severe illness of several months, during most of which time he had been confined to the house, death came to the relief of W. A. Williams, Esq., a prominent lawyer and one who has lived in Smethport longer than any other resident of the place. He had been indisposed for some years but not until this fall was he compelled to give up and seek his bed.

The deceased was born at Franklin, Delaware county, N. Y., Jan. 6, 1817, and came to Smethport in 1822 at the age of five years. His early years were spent on his father's farm, now owned by John W. Brennan. Afterward he read law with O. J. Hamlin, and was admitted to practice in May, 1839, and continued to practice, with good success, until within five or six years past. He did not cease his legal work, however, until after he had gained a competence. He was a safe counsellor, an eloquent pleader, and very highly respected for his great professional ability. Politically he was a Democrat in the early part of his life. We are told that in 1848 he attended a Free Soil Convention at Buffalo and espoused their cause. When the Republican party was formed in 1856 he was the first and only member in this county. He worked from house to house and from school house to school house that year and as a result of his labors the county was carried by the Republicans. He continued to act with the Republican party up to 1872, when he took the stump for Horace Greeley.

Mr. Williams held several important offices during his life. He was once District Attorney and held that position when Uzza Eddson was tried and hanged for murder, in 1850. The deceased was afterward elected County Treasurer, both of which offices he filled faithfully and well. In 1872 he was a candidate for Additional Law Judge, but opponent being Hon. S. F. Wilson. The district was strongly Republican and Mr. Williams was defeated.

The deceased was 64 years old last January. Two sisters and two daughters are the only ones remaining of his immediate family. The deceased was a kind hearted and honorable man, whose integrity was never called in question. His great regard for his personal honor was known to all, few persons possessing this principle in so marked a degree. By his death Smethport loses a bright star in her intellectual firmament, and a lawyer who was an ornament to his profession.

The following resolutions were adopted in open Court on Friday last:

We, the members of the Bar of McKean county, called together by the intelligence of the death of our friend and associate W. A. Williams, Esq., as a fitting expression of our grief at his loss and as a tribute to his memory, do resolve:

First. That we deeply mourn the loss of W. A. Williams who for more than forty years by the power of his intellect, by his eminent legal attainments, by his unwearied assiduity and by his consecutious devotion to duty, dignified the profession of which he was once an ornament and a leader.

Second. That we hold in endearing admiration his virtues, his warm friendship, his strong and lasting sympathy with all that was good and noble, and his earnest endeavor to uphold the dignity of his life and profession through trials such as few have to bear.

Third. That this Bar tender their heartfelt sympathy to the family of the deceased and request permission to join as a body in the funeral ceremonies.

Fourth. That we request the Court to order these resolutions to be spread on the minutes of the court and that the clerk forward a certified copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

And now, Nov. 25, 1881. The death of W. A. Williams, Esq., having been this day announced in open court, it is ordered that the foregoing resolutions adopted by the bar of McKean county be entered upon the minutes of the court at large and a copy thereof certified under the seal of the court of common Pleas be presented to the family of the deceased by the Prothonotary.

As a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased it is now ordered that the several courts be adjourned.

By the court.

A Good Business House.

It is not often you will go into a town the size of Smethport and find a better class of buildings for store purposes than can be found in the old and lively little county seat of McKean. To be sure the most of them have been but recently built, yet it is plain to be seen that the plans of the business men had already been formed and as soon as the time came when trade would warrant it they would put them in execution. The time has come and gone and as a result, there stands to day in place of the old wooden structures magnificent brick buildings. We refer in particular to the conveniently arranged store of M. A. Sprague. This is what might be justly termed a model store. Everything has a special place and there that article can always be found. It is no trouble for Mr. Sprague or his clerks to show goods as they know exactly where they are. His stock is always large, and is selected from the very best.

In holiday goods it is the universal opinion that Mr. Sprague has shown unusually good taste in his selections. His principal line of goods for the holiday season is in silverware, both solid and plated, of which he has an enormous display. These goods were purchased from the best manufacturers in the world, and the quality and fineness of finish are second to none. But this is not all. His general stock of shelf and heavy hardware is not excelled in any house in the county. While he does not claim to sell more stoves than any other firm, he does claim to sell his share. You will always find a large number of different kinds of stoves to select from, and the manner in which he has them arranged enables a person to thoroughly examine every nook and corner, thus perfectly satisfying himself of the general "git up" before he makes his purchase. In the Spring and Summer time when the laborious work of our industrious farmers begin, then Mr. Sprague has the necessary implements by which to make farming more easy. He pays particular attention to this part of the business, and if you make your wants known, and he does not happen to have the article in question in stock you may rest assured he will get it for you in a very short time.

In the rear of his store he has a tin shop and employs a first-class workman in making tinware for his trade, as the quality of material that he uses in this branch is A No. 1. A more thoroughly equipped and well regulated place can not be found. Dr. Sprague's motto is "Good goods at the lowest prices."

THE HOSE DANCE.

THE FIRST ANNUAL BALL OF SMETHPORT HOSE NO. 2, A DECIDED SUCCESS.

On Friday evening of last week Smethport Hose No. 2 gave the first of their annual dances at Kingsley's Opera House. There were no printed invitations issued, but all were welcome, and from the number in the hall at the time dancing commenced, it was quite evident that the majority of people considered themselves a Turpsichorean and were present to either indulge in or witness the evening's enjoyment. Each member of the different committees exerted every influence to bear on the success of the first dance, and how deservedly they were rewarded is gathered from the fact that it was one of the best dances ever held in Smethport. There were nearly a hundred couple present, and no complaints were made about being crowded off the floor as is so frequently the result where there are so many in attendance. In fact everything passed off as smoothly as the managers could wish for. The supper was under the supervision of a committee of ladies, and was served at the Wright House. It is not necessary to say it was a success, as the ladies of Smethport never undertake a thing without being successful, and this was no exception. Everything palatable that could be prepared was set before the guests, by the ladies and their assistants. It was at a late hour when the sweet sounds of the Randolph orchestra had not the power to overcome the mute though strong appeals of Morpheus, and the trippers of the light fantastic had themselves homeward.

Puffs and "Comps."

As an instance of what a newspaper is expected to do for nothing we have only to refer to the check attending a traveling theatre, and the many side shows that go from town to town, picking up the hard earnings of many who should invest their money for bread. Sensible people enjoy a good public entertainment and pay their money freely to witness it. The newspaper cheerfully announces the approach of a first-class troupe, and many times less by saying that the greatest of traveling humbugs is first class. Instead of doing business in a legitimate way, as would be done with any other party of men, charging a regular price for their advertising and buying a ticket for the show if one cares to attend, how is the newspaper paid? To illustrate, we will refer to the Alfred J. Knight entertainment, which, by the way, gave good satisfaction to many. We were requested to announce them and gave them locals to the amount of just $6.00, at the rate we charge our patrons for business locals, which appear every week. In consideration for this we were given *three* complimentary tickets, their cost to us being precisely $2.50 each. Employees of printing offices expect to be favored with free tickets, and it has always been the custom to furnish them, in view of the unpaid advertising. In the case referred to the editor of course took two tickets, for himself and wife, and the remaining ticket was left to the employees. They had the privilege of paying their money and going to the show or staying at home. Well, the thing was all right thus far, but when Alfred wishes the paper to give him a "send off" on his performance, a free advertisement, the matter begins to look one-sided. Had we done this our tickets would have cost us four or five dollars a piece. And yet people remark "How I would like to be a printer, for then I would have a comp and go the show!" Yes, dear one, but those "comps" cost more than would it to go and select a seat and pay the cash for it. yes, several times as much. There is no good reason why these traveling people should be especially favored, for their only and sole object in following their vocation is to make money. The only way on earth a newspaper can live is by what it makes in its advertising columns, and it would be no more cheeky for one of our merchants to ask us to give him a half column of local notices than it is for a showman. We are willing and will cheerfully encourage the coming here of that class of amusements that will please the tastes of our people, but we will not devote the whole paper to the interest of admission shows for nothing. As we said, the thing is one sided, and pays only those who are able to pay for what they get the same as other people are expected to do.

A. O. U. W.

At a meeting of the Smethport Lodge, No. 182, A. O. U. W., November 29, the following officers were elected for the next ensuing term:

Past Master Workman	H. L. McCoy
Master Workman	S. J. Gifford
Foreman	Frank Kerns
Overseer	T. V. Powell
Recorder	Wm. F. Specht
Financier	S. M. Lyman
Receiver	John B. Brawley
Guide	Daniel Keefe
Inside Watchman	Chris. Sherer
Outside Watchman	Frank Ogilvie
Medical Examiner	H. L. McCoy

H. L. Burlingame was chosen representative to the Grand Lodge.

Installation of officers Tuesday, December 6, when District Deputy G. M. W., S. V. Godden, will be present to install the officers.

Thanksgiving Dinner.

The following bill of fare was served at the Grand Central Hotel on Thanksgiving day at dinner:

Oyster soup; pressed white fish; boiled ham; roast venison, roast turkey with cranberry sauce, roast beef, roast chicken, roast beef *a la mode*; fried oysters, fried chicken, corn fritters; cold beef, pork, lamb and raw oysters; sweet and Irish potatoes, Lima beans, tomatoes; and for dessert there was mince, apple and lemon pie, nuts, Italian cream, raisins, cocoanut and cream cake; tea, chocolate and coffee.

St. Luke's Church.

The services on the first Sunday in the month, will be at 10:30 a. m. (Holy Communion) and at 7 p. m. The important subject of the inspiration of the Scriptures is contained in the lesson for next Sunday morning; and the true position of the church, in opposition to the popular notion, will be considered at the 10:30 a. m. service.

—If need is a sign, Smethport must be an oil town.

—Hide your dogs; the assessor is on his annual tour.

The C. and S. S.

This Society met at the residence of Mrs. C. S. King on Wednesday evening last. Although the weather was unpropitious, eleven members made their appearance and carried out the programme for the evening. A number of papers were read in answer to questions submitted at a previous meeting. Mrs. B. F. Wright read a very interesting description of the Catacombs in Rome. After reading a part of "Hamlet" the Shakespeare Club adjourned until next Wednesday evening, when the meeting will be at the residence of Prof. Farmer.

To the Public.

I would respectfully call the attention of the public to the large stock of goods I now have on hand, consisting of bleached and unbleached Muslins, Striped Shirting, Ticking, Bed Comfortables, Kentucky Jeans, Canton Flannels, Heavy Felt Skirts, a large line of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Hosiery, Ladies' Merino Vests, Gentlemen's Underwear, Home-made Woolen Socks and Mittens. Special bargains in dress goods, Black and Colored Cashmeres. Flannel Suitings in new goods. Cheap Dress Goods. The lowest prices in Germantown Yarns, Zephyrs, Knit Hoods and Scarfs, Leggins, Mittens for Youths and Misses, Lace Ties and Scarfs, Kid Gloves, Ribbons, Laces and Edgings. My Millinery Department is complete in every respect and I guarantee perfect satisfaction to all who may favor me with their patronage.

I will here say that I am indeed grateful for the patronage and encouragement I have ever received at the hands of the good people of Smethport and surrounding country, and I promise that my goods, business methods and courtesy towards my patrons shall be such as to warrant a continuance of public esteem and confidence in the future.

MRS. T. D. NASH.

Cloaks and Dolmans.

I beg to call attention to my line of Dolmans, Ulsters, Cloaks, Shawls, &c. I have arrangements by which I can and do offer these goods at city prices, and guarantee entire satisfaction as to price and quality. MRS. NASH.

53, Main St.

Pay Up.

All accounts due the late firm of W. J. Colegrove & Son, also accounts due C. M. Colegrove must be settled at once or the same will be placed in proper hands for collection.

C. M. COLEGROVE,

Colegrove, Pa., Dec. 1, 1881.52-4

Important to Travelers.

Special inducements are offered you by the Burlington Route. It will pay you to read their advertisement to be found elsewhere in this issue. 44-3m.

MARRIED.

ROBINSON—WEIMER. In Pleasant Valley township, Potter county, on Thursday Nov. 24, 1881, by Rev. C. L. Rose, Mr. Frank M. Robinson, of Fort Allegany, and Miss Mary Weimer, of Pleasant Valley.

STRAUB—SAUNDERS. At the Wright House, Smethport, by Rev. C. L. Rose, Mr. Ed. A. Straub, of Fort Allegany, to Miss Carrie J. Saunders, of Roulette, Potter Co., Pa.

WM. HASKILL & SON.

TO THE PUBLIC.

Our storeroom having become inadequate to meet the wants of our large and increasing trade in Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots and Shoes we have disposed of our Grocery trade and will hereafter devote our entire building and attention to the Dry Goods, Clothing, Boot and Shoe business.

Feeling assured that we can now more fully meet the wants of our patrons and the public in general, we most sincerely thank the people for their past patronage and respectfully solicit a share of it in the future.

Very Truly Yours,

WM. HASKILL & SON.

MISCELLANEOUS.

H. W. RUBIN,

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Gold and Silver Watches,

—JEWELRY AND SILVERWARE.—

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ALL WORK WARRANTED.

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Attachments,
Attorney's Receipts,
Bond of Indemnity to Constable,
Bond—Liquor,
Bond—Peddlers,
Bond—Constables',
Bond of Sheriff to Sheriff's,
Bond for stay of execution,
Bonds, sundries,
Commissions,
Constable's sale,
Coroner's Sale,
Costs—Land,
Costs—Trustees,
Charters of Incorporation, with appropriate—Letter of Instructions,
Deed—Warranty,
Deed—Ft. Pa.
Deed—Quit Claim,
Declaration (common Counts (3 kinds),
Ejectment,
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Leasehold Mortgages,
Lease—Oil (3 kinds),
Lease—Land,
Mechanic's Lien,
Marriage Certificate,
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Paper, with copy of agreement,
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Praecipe,
Praecipe for Summons,
Praecipe & Mandate for Writs,
Praecipe for Fa. Fa.
Praecipe for Ven. Fa.
Praecipe for Subpoenas in Action,
Plaintiff's Statement and Bonds,
Plaintiff's Bond in Replevin,
Poor Orders,
Petitions,
Removal of Ju— cases and Liens,
Road Orders,
Summons,
Subpoenas,
Writs Forms to Revive Judgment,
Sheriff's Bill of Sale,
Sundry forms for Judgment on Motion,
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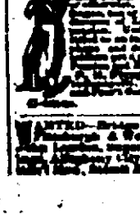

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SOME ACCOUNT OF THE CATTLE RAISING BUSINESS OUT THERE.

Correspondence Pittsburgh Telegraph.

As we yet, since leaving Pennsylvania, get an occasional copy of the *Telegraph*, which seems so much like an old friend, we thought it might interest your readers to know something of the resources of this territory. In this article we will speak only of the cattle kings, and reserve our account of of the mineral, soil, climate and general resources of the country for a subsequent article. The first cattle ranch was located on the north side of Platte river, in 1876, by Shattley & Co., only five years ago. Cattle men were not slow to find out the great grazing resources of the territory, and in the incredible short space of five years the following companies have been formed and located within the borders: Godell & Co., 47,000 head; Smith & Co., 35,000; Peck & Co., 15,000; Days & Co., 20,000; Hunter & Co., 8,000; Newman Bros., 5,000; Heck Bros., 8,000; Walker & Co., 12,000; Bartlett & Co., 3,000; H. J. Ford, 6,000; A. Robinson, 4,000; Vantassel, 8,000; "W. H." Ranch, 5,000; "4 P." – 4 partners- 7,000; Searight Bros., 20,000; Judge Cory, 30,000; Creighton & Co., 30,000; Pratt & Co. 15,000; Friesen Bros., 15,000. Owned by the above companies, 324,000.

It takes one herder to every thousand head of cattle, or in all 324 men. Each of these men are furnished with five horses, or in all 1,620 horses. In the above list there are nineteen companies. Each company has one foreman. Eight horses are allowed each foreman, or 152 horses for the foremen. Again, each company has from four to ten draught horses. Each foreman receives from $100 to $125 per month, and each herder from $30 to $40. Each company has its own brand, which the law requires them to have registered. The cattle range extends over an extent of country 100 miles by 160 miles. Truly a large pasture field. They have, twice a year, what is called "The round up" for beef, when all the cattle ready for market are shipped east. Godell & Co. have shipped this year 10,000 head. The cattle live the year round on the pasture. They are never fed, and it is surprising what the beef they make. The cattle men rule the Territory, and shape its laws to suit themselves. And woe be to the man who kills any of their cattle. To kill a steer is punished by fine and imprisonment, and in some instances even death. A standing reward of $250 is offered to any man who will inform upon those who either kill or steal a steer, cow or calf. Thus they are doubly protected by politely inviting every man in the Territory to be a sort of policeman. Not only so, but making each man who knows of violations of the cattle laws a party to the crime if he does not report it. It seems like a long stretch of the lawyer's proverb: "*Qui facet per alitter facet per se.*"

The cattle men mentioned in this article are located, with two or three exceptions, north of the Platte river; but some very heavy stock men are on the south side, but as we are not acquainted with their brand we can give no very accurate account of them. What is called "small cattle men," of which there are many here, own from 1,000 to 5,000 head. The cattle kings do not recognize them as cattlemen. The firms enumerated here in this article and set down at from 4,000 to 10,000 head are fractional herds part grazing in Nebraska and part in this territory. We endeavored to give you only the cattle grazing on Wyoming soil. This brief account will give an approximate idea of the great cattle interests of Wyoming.

Bear Hunting in the Catskills.

Many bears have been captured recently in the Southern Catskills, and this portion of the mountain seems to be full of them this Fall. They seem to be unusually bold. A few days ago a fine large black bear was found in the log pen of Jacob Loomis, living near Turnwood, a little village in the wild town of Harlenberg, Ulster county. He proved to be an ugly customer, too, and there was a lively fight before he was caught. Washington Osmo, a member of the noted Osmo bear hunting family, succeeded in capturing four fine bears a few days ago, nearly at one time, not far from his home in Shandaken. He sold the pelts at a good round price, and the meat he distributed among the neighbors. Four bears are usually counted a fair season's work for one hunter, as the skins are valuable and the carcass finds a ready market.

The most deperate encounter with bruin that has occurred in this region for many a year took place in the Shandaken Mountains a few days ago. Washington Jax, of Shandaken, after a long and weary tramp, made the more disheartening by the lack of any appearance of game, was about to retrace his steps homeward. He suddenly heard a crushing of twigs and underbrush. He was now far away from any settlement. Peering through the forest he soon saw a half-grown black bear, which in a few moments more was joined by three others -fine, fat, black shaggy cubs. They had all emerged from a dense thicket into a partial bit of clearing on another border of which the hunter was concealed. Although a long distance away, he leveled his gun and fired. One of the cubs fell dead. A moment after, with the other chamber of his gun, he brought down another bear. He then attempted to reload his piece, but the other enraged animals baying by this time discovered his hiding place, now pounced upon the hunter. The struggle that ensued is described by the hunter as most terrific indeed. One of the animals tried to chew up the hunter's left shoulder, mangling it badly; but while this was going on, he managed to plant his bowie in a vital spot in the other's breast. The blood spurted over him, but the animal sank at his feet. The remaining bear, however, gave him a hard tussle, but he finally conquered him also. He then says he was nearer dead than alive, but managed after awhile to reload his gun and bandage his throat as best he could. He then started toward home, but had not proceeded far when, with a deafening roar the enraged mother sprang across his path, but he was now enable to bring the infuriated beast to the ground by a heavy charge of buckshot. He finished the work of death with the other barrel of his gun, and then returned home in triumph for aid in bringing his game to the settlement.

The phrenologist is a man who cannot do his work well unless he feels right.

Comparison is everything. A very ordinary looking girl, in a railroad car filled with men, looks lovely.

Thanksgiving is supposed to be a day of gladness, and yet on that day the best of friends have a goad many bones to pick.

Secretary Hunt has prohibited swearing in the navy. We trust he does not contemplate abridging the inestimable privilege of the American citizen to swear at the navy.

"It is stated that in Manitoba girls are so scarce that each one has on an average 2000 lovers to choose from. It may be added that in nine cases out of ten the girl chooses the very worst man out of the lot.

The new Secretary of the Treasury has just paid $40 for a cow he killed on the New Jersey marshes while snipe hunting. He now knows that a cow is considerably lager than a snipe, and also has a greater spread of horns.

One Experience from Many.

"I had been sick and miserable so long and had caused my husband so much trouble and expense, no one seemed to know what ailed me, that I was completely disheartened and discouraged. In the frame of mind I got a bottle of Hop Bitters and I used them unknown to my family. I finally began to improve and gained so fast that my husband and family thought it strange and unnatural but when I told them what had helped me, they said "Hurrah for Hop Bitters, long may they prosper, for they have made mother well and us happy." The Mother.– *Home Journal.*

Jewels in Your Crown.

Do you desire to add a "jewel" to your "crown?" Do you desire to benefit suffering humanity? If so, tell them of Hamilton's Cough Balsam, a sure and speedy cure for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough, sore throat, hoarseness and inflamation. It will certainly benefit them also if troubled with asthma or bronchitis. Sample bottle 25 cents; large size 50 cents. Sold by A. B. Armstrong, Smethport, Pa. 52 4t.

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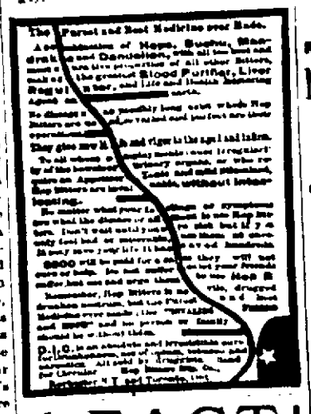

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